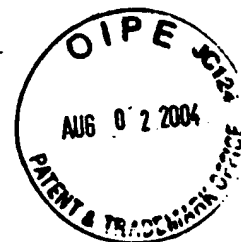


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In regard to the above-identified application, please enter the following preliminary amendment and remarks: